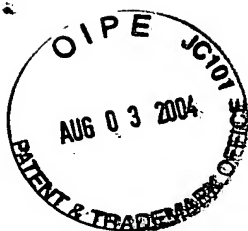


IFW B



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF	:	David C. Perich et al.
FOR	:	<b>CORNER BRACKET ASSEMBLY</b>
SERIAL NO.	:	10/038,704
FILED	:	January 3, 2002
GROUP ART UNIT	:	3634
EXAMINER	:	Hugh B. Thompson
LAST OFFICE ACTION	:	July 12, 2004
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	:	PTOZ 2 00013

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEWS**

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A series of two telephonic interviews were conducted in connection with the above-identified patent application on June 30, 2004 and July 7, 2004. The substance of those interviews is as follows:

Brief Description of the Nature of Any Exhibit Shown or Any Demonstration Conducted:

None.

Identification of the Claims Discussed:

Claims 13, 21 and 24.

Identification of the Specific Prior Art Discussed:

U.S. Patent No. 3,729,868 to Burum and U.S. Patent No. 4,030,160 to Lambertz et al.

Identification of the Principal Proposed Amendments of a Substantive Nature Discussed, Unless these are Already Described on the Interview Summary Form Completed by the Examiner:

Amendment to claim 13 was proposed wherein the term --sloped-- will be added after "at least one" and before "track" in line 11 of claim 13 and the term "only" which was proposed in the Amendment After Final Rejection will NOT be added in line 13 of claim 13.

No amendment to claim 21 was proposed. Rather, Applicant's representative asserted that claim 21 included subject matter which was previously indicated as being allowable. The Examiner agreed.

Amendment to claim 24 was proposed wherein the term --sloped-- will be added after "at least one" and before "groove" in line 12 of claim 24.

Brief Identification of the General Thrust of the Principal Arguments Presented to the Examiner:

The prior art does not teach a sloped track or a sloped groove and ridge.

General Indication of any other Pertinent Matters Discussed:

None.

General Results or Outcome of the Interview:

Examiner will amend claims 13 and 24 as indicated above via on Examiner's amendment. The Examiner will then allow all claims.

Respectfully submitted,

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN,  
MINNICH & McKEE, LLP

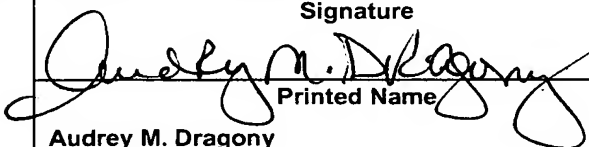
July 30, 2004  
Date

  
Erik J. Overberger, Reg. No. 48,556  
1100 Superior Avenue  
Seventh Floor  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114  
(216) 861-5582

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that this Statement of Substance of Interview and accompanying document(s) are being

- ☒ deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, addressed to: MAIL STOP AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.
- ☐ transmitted via facsimile under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 on the date indicated below.
- ☐ deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: MAIL STOP AF, Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

<b>Express Mail Label No.:</b>	<b>Signature</b> 
<b>Date</b> July 30, 2004	<b>Printed Name</b> Audrey M. Dragony

N:\PTOZ\200013\AMD0002914V001.doc